

Mason County Transportation Advisory Board
Minutes February 23, 2010

Call to Order: 5:30 pm

MCTAB Members in Attendance:

John Piety, Chair; Mary Ogg, Vice Chair/Secretary; Tim Burford, John Calabrese, Glen Fourre, Kevin Frankeberger, Barry Mihailov, Bill Rathke.
Absent: Fran Arnold, Pam Hillstrom.

Other Present: Jay Rosapepe, Operations Manager; Christina Kramer, Administrative Assistant.

Minutes from January 26, 2010: With addition of information to Good of the Order:

Kevin Frankeberger showed MCTAB members a banner from Easter Seals Project Action made in 2003. It displayed a picture of Kevin, former MTA employee Terry Mihailov with a MTA bus in the back ground. The theme was Accessible Community Transportation. The banner traveled around the world. **Approved.** Calabrese/Fourre.

Correspondence: None.

Old Business:

1) Attending the Intercity Transit Advisory Board Meeting has been changed to March 15th versus the February 8th meeting. All members are invited to attend. Jay R., John P., and Mary O. will meet at MTA business office at 4:15 pm to carpool together. John C. will drive to the meeting. Contact Jay if you would like to carpool or need location and directions to the meeting.

2) MCTAB membership discussion: John P. attended a meeting at Public Works Office with Jay inviting attendees to MCTAB. John C. noted, before we have a membership drive we need to define ourselves a little more as a group. Kevin F. expressed MTA Board members could think about people they know to recruit to the advisory board. Glenn F. suggested each MCTAB member could tell their history and interest being on MCTAB and share at the April 27th meeting. Our next meeting is a joint meeting with the Authority Board in Allyn. John P. said he can present an MCTAB introduction to the Board. Christina K. will get a member description, the application or other information to John P.

Another idea is to advertise on the bus using the Public Service Announcement venue.

John P. said we should think about people in business, young adults/students, and folks residing in the Tahuya, Twanoh and Arcadia Road areas.

Jay R. handed out the new Rider's Guide and pointed out on page 15 the paragraph highlighting MCTAB membership.

Summary: John P. can talk at the next board meeting. Christina K. will collect a member description or application. Each of us can write our history and interest to share at the April meeting.

3) John P. asked for a volunteer to chair the regional conference and asks each member to think about what they can dedicate to helping.

4) John P. invited MCTAB members to contribute articles to a quarterly newsletter. Copies of the past newsletter can be viewed at the front desk of MTA.

John Piety handed out his comments on the TDP 2010-2015 Financial Overview received at last meeting.

New Business:

1) At 6:00 pm John P. turned the meeting over to Jay R. for a Public Meeting on the 2010-2015 Transit Development Plan and 2009 Annual Report. Jay highlighted points from the twenty-eight page handout. Questions asked during open discussion:

What is the replacement schedule for the buses?

Answer: 5-7 year replacement schedule. 12 years on worker/driver buses, with their low mileage we can move this to 17 years.

What is the depreciation schedule?

12 years or 500,000 miles; 5 years or 150,000; and 7 years or 250,000 on a cutaway with a van chassis.

What percent is the replacement cost?

Answer: 20-25%

Can you explain number nine (year finished) regarding downtown Shelton Park & Ride?

Answer: That is year 2012. Thank you. On the last page, Appendix B, Unfunded Projects, WSDOT needed a replacement plan versus a wish list. The plans need to be sustainable, so as funds become available then this list can be reviewed and projects moved forward.

Comment: Assuming the building has ADA standards, perhaps number 18 could be improvement to Buildings 1 and 2.

When will this document be adopted?

Answer: Next Board meeting, March 9th at 5:30 pm at the Port of Allyn.

Comment: This report is outstanding. It is easy to read.

John P. if we think of any additional comments be sure to submit them to Jay by Friday March 5th.

Discussion was finished at 6:18 pm.

General Manager's Report and Operations Report:

Recruitment for Financial Manager is underway. We have 14 applications and 7 interviews. John P. and a WSDOT staff will participate in the interview process.

Fueling facility is operating the way expected.

Water main late comers' agreement is in the works. We don't know when, but ground breaking could begin shortly. Maybe online within the year.

Both properties in Belfair for the park & ride were wetlands. This project has been moved to unfunded list and we will continue to look at regional mobility grants.

Operations Report handout showed a ridership increase in all services except vanpool and special events.

A pie chart showed 21% of customer comments are via the customer comment card while the majority of comments are by phone (56%). Some comments came by email, person, or letter.

A sample of comments showed the comment type, (commendation or complaint), details, incident date, date received, the customers name when given and the mode used.

Good of the Order: none.

Public Comment: none.

Adjourned: Mihailov/Frankeberger 6:55 pm

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, March 9, 2010 - 5:30pm
Joint MTA/MCTAB meeting
Port of Allyn, 18560 E. SR3, Allyn, WA